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Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year!

Propose a Session for South Carolina's 2014 Preservation Conference

We continue to accept proposals for educational sessions at the 2014 Preservation Conference, to be held April 22, 2014 in Columbia. Sessions should address one or more aspects of the conference theme "*The Value of History: Recognizing, Preserving, Protecting, and Promoting Your Historic Assets*". For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx> or contact Elizabeth Johnson at emjohnson@scdah.state.sc.us. **Proposals are due January 31, 2014.**

2014 South Carolina Preservation Award Nominations

Nomination forms are now available for the 2014 South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards. In their 20th year, the awards are sponsored by the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation, the Office of the Governor, and the SC Department of Archives and History. The six categories are:

- ***Honor Awards*** celebrate successful and exemplary historic preservation projects around the Palmetto State.

- **Stewardship Awards** recognize those who have ensured the ongoing preservation of historic buildings, structures or sites through long-term care, planning, management, protection, or continuous ownership.
- **Preservation Service Awards** recognize projects and activities that make exemplary contributions to the advancement of historic preservation. Eligible projects can include research, publications, education, advocacy, public policy initiatives, promotional activities, events, and funding programs.
- **Heritage Tourism Award** recognizes those who best use South Carolina's cultural and historic resources in the promotion and development of tourism or use tourism to directly benefit the preservation of our heritage.
- The **Elected Official Honor Award** may be presented each year to an individual elected official in recognition of significant achievements or landmark efforts in the support of historic preservation in South Carolina.
- The **Governor's Award** may be presented each year in recognition of an individual's significant achievements or landmark efforts in the support of historic preservation in South Carolina.

The nomination form and directions are available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/awards.aspx>. For more information contact Michael Bedenbaugh of the Palmetto Trust at 803-924-9979, oldhouse@palmettotrust.org. **Nominations must be postmarked by March 15, 2014.**

SC African American Heritage Commission Annual Meeting and Awards

The SC African American Heritage Commission will host its annual meeting and awards lunch on **Friday, March 28, 2014** at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia. The theme for the event is "Exploring African American History through the Arts." The keynote speaker will be artist Jonathan Green.

The Commission is seeking nominations for the "Preserving Our Places In History Awards". Information on the awards and the nomination form are available on pages 3 & 4 of the most recent Call & Response newsletter http://www.scaaheritagefound.org/call_response2013fall.pdf. Awards are given in four categories:

- **Individual Award** recognizes a person who has demonstrated or made an outstanding accomplishment in preserving and interpreting African American history and culture in SC during the past year.
- **Group or Organization Award** recognizes a group or organization that has demonstrated or made an outstanding accomplishment in preserving and interpreting African American history and culture in SC during the past year.
- **Project Award** recognizes a project that has significantly and dramatically influenced in a permanent way the preservation and interpretation of African American history and culture in SC during the past year.

- ***Lifetime Achievement Award*** recognizes a person, group or organization that has made a notable, successful, sustained and lasting contribution to the preservation of African American history and culture in SC.

The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2014.

Reminder: FY 2014 Federal Grants Applications Due February 7, 2014

The applications and instructions are available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. **Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, February 7, 2014.** Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or sauls@scdah.state.sc.us to discuss your project before you apply.

New Listing in the National Register of Historic Places

The **Easley Mill**, in Easley in Pickens County, was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on September 23, 2013. The Easley Mill, built in 1899-1901, is significant for its association with the establishment and development of the textile industry in Easley (it was the first of three mills built in Easley between 1899 and 1910) and the South Carolina Piedmont during the first half of the 20th century. It is also an intact example of cotton mill engineering and design at the beginning of the great boom period in the Southern textile industry, from 1890 to 1920, and as one of the notable early South Carolina designs of the firm Lockwood Greene and Company of Boston. By 1907 the mill boasted 37,744 spindles and 1,020 looms, making "convertible and export sheeting," with a work force of 500 operatives and a total mill village population of 900. The Easley Mill continued to thrive, and to produce its cotton sheeting for domestic and export sales, through the 1920s and into the Depression. Easley Mill closed in 1990. The historic property contains nine contributing resources: the main mill building, smokestack, office building, water tower, reservoir, ice house, warehouse, railroad trestle, and a monument.

Johannes Kolb Archaeology and Education Project Announces 2014 Schedule

The 2014 Johannes Kolb Archaeology and Education Project will return to Mechanicsville, Darlington County, South Carolina from March 10 – 22, 2014. Over the years archaeologists working with interested members of the public have unraveled many secrets from this old beach dune on the Great Pee Dee River. They have discovered spear points left by ice age hunters, tools of early to mid-Holocene hunter gatherers (10,000-3,000 years ago), including the oldest pottery made by Native Americans in the United States, Woodland period village dwellers (A.D. 500-1200), a colonial period frontier home site of Johannes and Sarah Kolb and their nine children, a slave village from the late 18th through the mid-19th century, and a logging camp and saw mill operated between 1890 and the first World War. A public day will be held on

Saturday March 15th from 10am to 4pm with artifact and poster displays, earth skills experts, and period re-enactors. To volunteer at the site or inquire about school tours contact Chris Judge at judge@sc.edu. More information about the site can be found at <http://38da75.com/> or the Facebook page "I dig the Kolb Site."

Also, on Thursdays each month, interested members of the public can join archaeologist Chris Judge from 3-7pm in the Kolb Archaeology Lab at the University of South Carolina Lancaster. The Kolb lab is located at the Native American Studies Center at 119 South Main Street in historic downtown Lancaster. Volunteers help wash and catalog artifacts from the site and get an idea of what happens in an archaeology lab. No experience is necessary! For more information contact Chris Judge at judge@sc.edu or call the Native American Studies Center at 803-313-7172.

Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation Moves to Historic Depot

The Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation has recently moved into the historic depot in Prosperity. The Palmetto Trust helped the Town of Prosperity secure the building and make needed repairs. Their new mailing address is PO Box 506, Prosperity, SC 29127-0506, (street address is 117 Grace Street). New phone numbers are 803-422-7838 (Mike Bedenbaugh, Executive Director) and 803-422-7803 (Nancy Brooks, Director of Operations/Development). Staff e-mails have not changed.

Humanities Council SC Issues New Request for Proposals

The Humanities CouncilSC is launching a statewide Request for Proposals titled "Know Your History, Community, Family" to support projects that celebrate local history and culture in South Carolina and that bring to light new perspectives and understandings of the past. The Council seeks proposals from interested institutional or nonprofit applicants designed to collect, share, and promote local history in South Carolina. THCSC will look favorably at proposals which uncover elements of local South Carolina history and present them to a general public in a community event. Applications focusing on "Know Your History, Community, Family" will be accepted for the **next Major Grant deadline on Wednesday, January 15, 2014** and will be in the normal competitive pool for Council review. Awards will be in the \$2,000 to \$8,000 range. More information is available in this news release <http://schumanities.org/home/newsstory/522>.

National Trust Seeks 11 Most Endangered Nominations

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is accepting nominations for its annual list of America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places. **Nominations are due on March 3, 2014.** For additional information, e-mail 11Most@savingplaces.org or call 202.588.6141. To learn more about the program, and to submit a nomination visit www.preservationnation.org/11most.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Section 106 Workshops: ACHP staff instructors will offer Section 106 training in six cities in 2014. These interactive courses feature practical guidance and opportunities to apply learning in case-based exercises. Visit www.achp.gov/training.html for registration details and pricing. Please contact Cindy Bienvenue at cbienvenue@achp.gov if you have any questions.

Preservation Advocacy Day, March 3-6, 2014, Washington, DC. Information will be posted on <http://www.preservationaction.org/>.

Fields of Conflict, March 11-16, 2014, Columbia. The SC Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology is sponsoring an international conference on battlefield archaeology, in conjunction with the National Park Service's American Battlefield Protection Program. It includes a **Battlefield Preservation Workshop on March 12, 2014**, where participants will learn about best practices for battlefield preservation including: mapping sites, analyzing landscapes, using archaeology, and planning for battlefield preservation. See <http://saeu.sc.edu/reg/fieldsofconflict/aboutWorkshops.php> for a detailed agenda. Also see www.fieldsofconflict2014.com, or contact Steve Smith at SMITHS@mailbox.sc.edu or 803-576-6569. **Early registration discounts end January 15, 2014.**

SC Federation of Museums Conference: March 12-14, 2014, Camden. The theme for this year's event is "Let's Talk: Museums and Communities in Conversation." See <http://www.southcarolinamuseums.org/conference.html>.

NEW 2014 Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Historical Association (SCHA), March 15, 2014, Columbia. SCHA invites historians to submit papers on a wide array of topics ranging from Southern and American history to African, European, Asian, as well as histories that are not defined primarily by geography. Presentations are limited to 20 minutes. Papers presented are eligible for peer review for publication in the Association's journal, *The Proceedings of the South Carolina Historical Association*. Proposals for complete sessions are encouraged but individual proposals are also welcome. All participants must be members of the SCHA, for membership dues and privileges please see the [SCHA website](#). Send proposals and brief c.v. electronically to Janet G. Hudson, Ph.D. at janethudson@sc.edu. **The deadline for proposals is January 3, 2014.**

National Council on Public History Annual Meeting, March 19-22, 2014, Monterey, CA. For more information see <http://ncph.org/cms/conferences/2014-annual-meeting/>.

2014 Landmark Conference, March 26-28, 2014, St. Matthews. The Calhoun County Museum and Cultural Center will host the event, which will also celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Confederation of South Carolina Local Historical

Societies. For more information contact the Museum and Cultural Center at 803-874-3964.

Society of Architectural Historians Conference, April 9-13, 2014, Austin, TX. For more information visit <http://www.sah.org/conferences-and-programs/2014-conference-austin>.

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NEW 2014 National Main Streets Conference, May 18-21, 2014, Detroit, MI. With the theme "Works in Progress" the conference will offer participants lessons on resilience, innovation and hard work, all of which exemplify the Main Street movement across the country. See <http://www.preservationnation.org/main-street/training/conference/2014-detroit/>.

Association for Gravestone Studies 2014 Annual Conference, June 17-22, 2014, Franklin, IN. More information will be on the website in March 2014. <https://www.gravestonestudies.org/>.

National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum, July 16-20, 2014, Philadelphia, PA. This biannual gathering of local historic preservation commissions and boards of architectural review members and staff is the largest of its kind in the country. For more information, and to sign up for updates about the event go to <http://napc.uga.edu/forum2014/>.

Grant Application Deadlines

January 6, 2014 American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) Battlefield Preservation Grants: Non-profit groups, academic institutions, and local, regional, state, and tribal governments are invited to apply for grants for these types of eligible projects: archaeology, cultural landscape inventories, cultural resource documentation, GIS mapping, National Register nominations, and preservation plans. Project funding ranges from \$5,000 to \$75,000. The ABPP encourages but does not require matching funds or in-kind services for the projects. The application form and complete guidelines are available at

<http://www.nps.gov/history/HPS/abpp/grants/battlefieldgrants/2014grants.html>.

Applicant organizations are strongly encouraged to discuss proposed projects with the ABPP Grants Manager or Program Chief before preparing an application (Grants Manager - Kristen McMasters 202-354-2037, Program Chief - Paul Hawke 202-354-2023).

NEW January 13, 2014 Our Town Grants (National Endowment for the Arts): Organizations may apply for creative placemaking projects that contribute to the livability of communities and place the arts at their core. Matching grants range from \$25,000 to \$200,000. For more information see <http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town>.

January 15, 2014 SC Humanities Council Major Grants: For more information about types of projects and the application process go to <http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply>.

February 1, 2014 National Trust Preservation Funds: These grants encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects. The grants help stimulate public discussion, enable local groups to gain the technical expertise needed for particular projects, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, and encourage financial participation by the private sector. Grants generally start at \$2,500 and range up to \$5,000. The selection process is very competitive. Only members of the National Trust at the Forum or Main Street levels are eligible to apply for funding from the National Trust Preservation Fund. To learn more about the grant program and how to apply go to <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>.

February 7, 2014 Federal Historic Preservation Grants: Administered by the SHPO, these grants can assist two types of projects: (1) Survey and Planning Projects—eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning; (2) Stabilization Projects—eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather. Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Federal Historic Preservation Grant. At least ten percent of the state's annual grant from the National Park Service must be awarded to Certified Local Governments (CLGs). As funding is available after the required CLG minimum is met, then non-CLG projects may also be selected for funding. Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000. The 2014 application is online at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. For additional information or to discuss a potential project contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, sauls@scdah.state.sc.us.

Online sources of grant information:

- <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>
- <http://www.statelibrary.sc.gov/grant-and-funding-sources>
- <http://www.achp.gov/funding.html>
- <http://www.preservationdirectory.com/PreservationGeneralResources/GrantsFundingSources.aspx>

The U.S. Departments of Agriculture, Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and the Environmental Protection Agency have compiled a 44 page

publication *Federal Resources for Sustainable Rural Communities* that lists programs, grants, and resources directed to rural communities. The publication is online at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/supportdocuments/RD_FedResourcesSustainableCommunities.pdf.

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